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Sir:

In fulfillment of the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56,

Applicant submits herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98.

As this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the issuance of a first Office Action, no fee is deemed necessary. If, however a fee is necessary, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

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I. U.S. PATENTS

<u>U.S. PATENT NO.</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>
5,693,085 to Buirge et al.	Stent with Collagen	December 2, 1997
5,824,046 to Smith et al.	Covered Stent	October 20, 1998
5,916,264 to Von Oepen et al.	Stent Graft	June 29, 1999
5,989,244 to Gregory et al.	Method of Use of a Sheet of Elastin or Elastin-Based Material	November 23, 1999
5,990,397 to Gregory	Prosthetic Devices Including Elastin or Elastin-Based Materials	November 23, 1999
6,087,522 to Gregory	Method of Producing Fused Biomaterials and Tissue	July 11, 2000
6,110,212 to Gregory	Elastin and Elastin-Based Materials	August 29, 2000

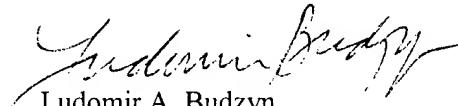
II. FOREIGN REFERENCES

<u>PUBLICATION NO.</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PUBLICATION DATE</u>
WO 00/12147	Drug Delivery Device for Stent	March 9, 2000

Copies of each of these references are attached herewith. All of the references listed above are also listed on Applicant's Form PTO-1449 which is attached to this Information Disclosure Statement for the convenience of the Examiner.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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